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SOUTH JORDAN LEISURE, AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

GRAND OPENING

The *South Jordan Leisure, Aquatic and Fitness Center* wishes to extend a warm welcome and, holiday greetings, to you and your family! As you know, we have an impressive 72,000 sq. ft. facility under construction. This facility includes the largest indoor leisure pool in the state, toddler pool, water slide, two lap lanes, numerous water play structures, one large gym, one auxiliary gym, dance studio, aerobics room, wet party room, cardio area, strength and conditioning room, indoor track and daycare.

The City of South Jordan is proud of our excellent customer service and you should expect it at all times. However, we are a bit behind schedule due to an unusually wet fall and the lack of construction materials. The new date for opening this great facility is February 4, 2005. We regret the delay and inconvenience this will cause you, but we believe your expectations should be met the first time you enter your *South Jordan Leisure, Aquatic and Fitness Center*!

In preparation for the February 4, 2005 grand opening we would like to make you aware of one important change regarding our hours of operation. To better determine your needs, the *South Jordan Leisure, Aquatic and Fitness Center* will now be open on Sundays, on a trial basis.

NEW HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday thru Friday 5:30 am to 10:00 pm

Saturday 7:00 am to 8:30 pm

Sunday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Join us February 4 and 5, as our guest, to tour and/or use South Jordan City's newest recreational facility.

From all of us at South Jordan City, we wish you a wonderful holiday season, and look forward to seeing you at your *South Jordan Leisure, Aquatic and Fitness Center*!

Community Planting Day at Jordan Ridge Park

More than 70 volunteers participated in a community workday and planted 94 trees at the City's new Jordan Ridge Park. Neighbors, Boy Scouts and the City's Youth Council helped to complete the landscaping at Jordan Ridge Park on Saturday, December 4th. The Utah State Forester and City Parks Department staff were on-site for the workday and assisted volunteers with the best practices for planting the new trees. The landscaping project was part of the development of the Jordan Ridge Park. When completed the 10.7-acre park will offer tennis courts, sand volleyball, playground equipment, picnic pavilions, a walking trail, and open play area. The existing trees at the park were transplanted to other locations in the city to provide for park development.



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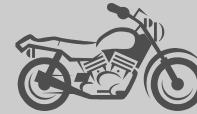
New City Ordinance Bans Use of Low Profile Motorized Vehicles

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday night, the South Jordan City Council unanimously passed a new ordinance banning the use of miniature motorcycles, which are commonly referred to as "Pocket Bikes". The ordinance also bans other low profile motorized vehicles such as go-carts from being operated on any public property, streets and sidewalks. **This ordinance takes effect immediately.**

As provided for in Utah State statute, this ordinance does not affect the use of motor assisted disability or handicap vehicles.

A "Pocket Bike" is defined as any motorized vehicle that:

- a. Is not regulated by the State or any other City Code provision
- b. Is not otherwise permitted upon the highways or sidewalks
- c. Is less than 36" in height when in its normal operating position, notwithstanding any flag, antenna, or other device attached, or modifications made thereto.



The new ordinance makes it a Class C misdemeanor for any person to operate a Low Profile Motorized Vehicle on any public property, street or sidewalk. It is also an offense for any adult, parent or guardian to allow a minor to violate this ordinance.

This ordinance, which is patterned after similar ordinances in other local communities, comes in response to the rapidly growing use of these small motorized vehicles on South Jordan City streets. Complaints have increased significantly in neighborhoods with parents expressing concern about hitting someone riding one of these small vehicles as they pull into or out of driveways. Also, without state regulation and licensing, many of the vehicles do not have proper lighting and other safety equipment.

For additional Information, please contact Public Information Officer Sergeant Dan Starks at 254-4708.

South Jordan Officers Show Support for Fellow Officer

Officer Ryan Meng on second row, with stripped shirt



Officer Ryan Meng had no idea in the summer of 2003 that he had any medical problem. Now, 15 months later, he is headed in for his second brain surgery in 6 months, as he combats a condition that causes aneurysms.

In an effort to show their support, Police and Fire Officers from South Jordan joined together and shaved their heads along with Ryan, as he prepared for surgery on December 9th. Director of Public Safety Lindsay Shepherd would have never dreamed he would be among those participating. After an "I will if you will" challenge from Dan Pearson, Chief of Police Operations, both ended up with shaved heads as well.

While some wondered if they would be allowed in their homes that night, they all agreed that it was well worth it to show Ryan their love and support for him and his family. A total of twenty-three members of South Jordan City Department of Public Safety shaved their heads in his support.



Calendar
For January

Upcoming Events
to Watch For!

- 6th Leads Lunch, 11:30-12:30 p.m.
Mi Ranchito, 1133 W. South Jordan Pkwy
- 12th Business After Hours, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- 13th Leads Lunch; 11:30-12:30 p.m.
Mi Ranchito, 1133 W. South Jordan Pkwy
- 20th Leads Lunch, 11:30-12:30 p.m.
Mi Ranchito, 1133 W. South Jordan Pkwy
- 27th Monthly Luncheon, 11:30-1:00 p.m.
Country Inn & Suites

The South Jordan Chamber of Commerce is partnering with the Academy of Music to host a sock hop in February. Look for more details about the Sweethearts Dance to come and check our website www.southjordanchamber.com for details.

If you have any questions about these events, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 253-5200

CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Culinary Water Project:

South Jordan City is currently upgrading their culinary water system. In 2003 a \$23 million bond was granted to upgrade the system. The upgrade includes the construction of six water tanks and several miles of transmission and distribution pipelines.

The water storage tanks are necessary to comply with state standards and will increase the capacity of the water system to accommodate the recent growth in the City. Currently, four water storage tanks are under construction with sizes ranging from 2.1 million gallons to 4 million gallons.

The storage tanks are connected to the different pressure zones by miles of transmission pipelines. To date the City has installed seven miles of 16" and larger transmission lines. The City is also increasing the size of several distribution pipelines. Because of the explosive growth in South Jordan City the demand placed upon several of the older waterlines now exceeds the capacity of the pipe.

The estimated completion date of the project is January of 2006.

9800 South:

The City is also preparing to connect 9800 South from Redwood Road to 2200 West. The final stretch of the roadway, complete with a traffic signal, is scheduled for construction in Spring of 2005.

Grant for Lead-Based Paint Removal

Salt Lake County received a \$2,000,000 grant to help county residents fix lead-based paint hazards. The money, awarded by the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD), helps homeowners and rental owners fix areas that have lead-based paint and are in poor condition. If your home or rental units were built before 1978, children are present, and there is lead based paint, you may qualify for money to cover the costs of window replacement, repainting, or other projects to control lead based paint hazards. For more information on this program, or other questions concerning lead, please visit the County's website at <http://www.slvhealth.org/lfk/>, or call 534-4558.



Neighborhood Watch Program

Over the past several years, our Neighborhood Watch Program has seen its ups and downs. The City has received phone calls from citizens about problems in their neighborhood and they will request information on starting a Neighborhood Watch group. In many of these cases, there are problems that are occurring in the area. After a while the problems go away and people just don't want to be involved. Interest keeps rising and falling in this program. Also the groups that are active feel like they are the only ones in the whole city with a problem. That is why the City is going to change the way the program is going to work. A Neighborhood Watch Command Committee will be formed. The Command Committee is going to be made up of representatives from every neighborhood in the city. This Committee will meet together four times a year. The representatives would then be in charge of working with their own neighborhood.

The Neighborhood Watch Program is a vital component of the Homeland Security Project. As a Police Department, it is not possible to be in every neighborhood all of the time, but as a community, someone is there all the time. These meetings would be a great time to train citizens on the basics of being a witness and how to protect you and your family. Several new ideas have come from the Neighborhood Watch Program already. Because of Neighborhood Watch, we now post the monthly crime trends on the City's website and a few neighborhoods have participated in walking groups to help our Elementary School age children travel to and from school safely.

Together, we can make a difference if we start now and build a partnership to prevent crime in our city. The City will be hosting a kick-off meeting January 18, 2005, 7:00 p.m. at the South Jordan City Police Department. If you are interested in participating, please contact Officer Ryan Meng at 254-4708 for further information.

Want to Make a Movie?

Enter the South Jordan Videofest.

Sponsored by the South Jordan Arts Council.

For entry forms Call Dave at 280-9788 or pick one up at the South Jordan City Community Center.



Historical South Jordan

South Jordan City, in conjunction with the Historical Committee now has available Historical Tour maps for Scouts or Citizens to use. This will be included in the Scout "Citizenship in Community" packet available at City Hall. For information on group tours contact Jean Bateman, 254-4367.

The history book "Of Dugouts & Spires" is available to purchase at City Hall.



South Jordan Library Events:

Native American Hoop Dancing

A captivating presentation by Bryan Fong. The performer winds his way through 22 hoops, entertaining his audiences and sharing his insight into Native American culture and dances.

Monday, January 24, 7:00 p.m.

South Jordan City Principal Officials

Elected Officials:

Kent Money, Mayor	254-6865
Leona Winger, Council District 1	254-7886
Brad Marlor, Council District 2	254-8561
Mary Wenner, Council District 3	280-9418
Dave Colton, Council District 4	446-7174
Ann Gayheart, Council District 5	254-1565

Appointed Officials:

Ricky A. Horst, City Manager
Lindsay Shepherd, A.C.M. Public Safety
Gary Whatcott, A.C.M. Community Development
Rob Wall, A.C.M. Public Services
Larry Ipson, Chief Financial Officer
John Geilmann, City Attorney

Important Telephone Numbers:

Animal Control	254-3742
BFI	972-4234
Billing	254-3742
Chamber of Commerce	253-5200
City Administration	254-3742
Community Center	254-9888
Construction Management	253-5230
Development Services	254-1404
Dispatch	840-4000
Fire Department	254-0948
Help Line	446-HELP (4357)
Municipal Court	254-6381
Parks	253-5230
Police Department	254-4708
Public Services	253-5230
Recreation	254-9888
Senior Citizens Center	302-1222
South Valley Sewer District	571-1166
TransJordan Landfill	569-8994
Victim Services	254-4708